

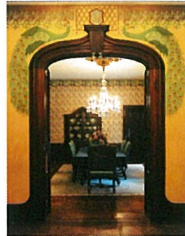
What is the Hower House Museum?

Hower House, a stately 28-room Victorian mansion, was built in 1871 by Akron industrialist John Henry Hower and his wife, Susan Youngker Hower.



They brought their family to Akron on the heels of the Civil War with a dream to expand their fortunes and lead the fledgling town into the burgeoning industrial age, regionally, nationally, and ultimately internationally. John Henry Hower would become known as the "father of Akron industry" because of his vision.

The Hower family, always engaged and generous to their community, lived in the home for three generations, filling it with treasures collected during their extensive world travels. Their legacy is a wealth of elegant and eclectic furnishings, along with detailed accounts of their travels, family, business and social life.



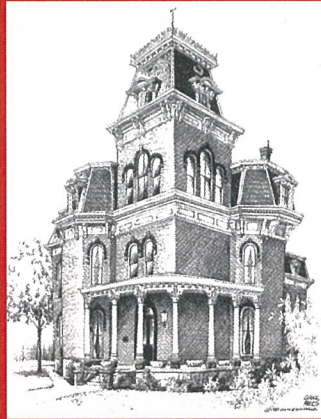
The Hower House Museum has become an educational resource in the areas of Victorian culture, decorative arts, textile conservation, architectural history, and museum practices for students of all ages.

The Hower family deeded the House to The University of Akron in 1970. The structure, significant architecturally and historically, was opened to the public as an house museum in the mid-1980s.

It continues to be a treasure for the Akron community and the Northeast Ohio region providing a tangible link to its storied past.

What is the Hower House Museum Guild?

The Hower House Museum Guild is a volunteer group that supports and assists in the operation and preservation of the Hower House Museum, its contents and grounds. Our Museum Guild provides educational awareness of its historical significance.



*Hower House Museum, Akron, Ohio
Building & Preserving History since 1871*

- Educational & General Tours •
- Exhibits • Programs • Events •
- Cellar Door Boutique giftshop •

• Rentals •

dinner parties, weddings & rehearsal dinners, receptions, bridal & baby showers, corporate gatherings, retreats, retirement parties

Annual Membership Form Please enroll me/us at the indicated level of support for one year.

- Student -- \$10 annually
- Individual -- \$35 annually
- Couple -- \$50 annually (*new option*)
- Family -- \$75 (up to family of 4)/ year
- Patron -- \$150 to \$500 annually*
- Benefactor -- \$501 to \$1000 annually*
- Golden Benefactor -- \$1001+annually*

*This level qualifies you for access to over 700 museums as part of the North American Reciprocal Museum Association. Visit narmassociation.org for complete list.

HHM Guild Membership is based on a calendar year January 1 - December 31.

In addition to my annual membership fee, I would like to:

- Learn about volunteer opportunities or special project initiatives, please contact me.
- Prefer to receive the *Guild Gazette* newsletter & HHM info delivered to your mailbox?
Please include an extra \$15 to cover our printing and mailing costs.

Send a gift membership at the \$ _____ level to (*provide name & address*):

Send a memorial gift of \$ _____ in honor of: _____

Please notify (*provide name & address*):

Total amount enclosed: \$ _____

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